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EllenAnn G. Sands, Esquire NORWALSKY, BRONSTON, & GOTHARD, APLLC 3500 North Causeway Blvd. Suite 1442 Metairie, LA 70002

Dear Ms. Sands:

The Pleading which you filed on behalf of Network US, Inc. d/b/a CA Affinity (Network) and Connect America, Inc d/b/a Connect US of Delaware, Inc. (Connect) has been duly received and assigned **Docket No. 2004-198-C**.

In order to proceed with the processing of this Docket, it will be necessary for you to accomplish the following:

Publish, at your own expense, on or before **August 16, 2004**, the enclosed Notice, in newspapers of general circulation, in the affected areas, one time and provide the undersigned Proof of Publication on or before **August 24, 2004**.

Failure to comply with the above on or before the dates indicated may result in the **DISMISSAL** of your pleading.

In the meantime, should you require additional information, please advise.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAOLINA

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NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2004-198-C

Network US, Inc. d/b/a CA Affinity (Network) and Connect America, Inc d/b/a Connect US of Delaware, Inc. (Connect) jointly filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina for approval to transfer the assets of Connect to Network. According to the Application, the customers of Connect have been given the opportunity to switch their services to a different carrier. Those Connect customers who chose not to switch their service to a different carrier will continue to receive service pursuant to Network's authority. Additionally, there will not be any increase in the rates due to this transaction at this time.

A copy of the application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210; and is available from EllenAnn G. Sands, Esquire, NORWALSKY, BRONSTON, & GOTHARD, APPLC, 3500 North Causeway Blvd., Suite 1442, Metairie, LA 70002.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **August 31, 2004** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please refer to Docket No. 2004-198-C.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below and EllenAnn G. Sands, Esquire, at the above address, on or before **August 31, 2004** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please refer to Docket No. 2004-198-C.

Any person who wishes to be notified of the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before **August 31, 2004**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2004-198-C*.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this preceding MUST present such comments in person to the Commission during the